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## A Few Facts

To Ponder Over.

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#### KENTUCKY CROP REPORT.

Condition of Crops and Live Stock December 1st, 1898.

Replies were received this month from 145 correspondents, representing 104 counties.

##### WHEAT.

The wheat crop, as a result of the continued rainfall during the month of October, is divided into two distinct parts—the early and the late—with the separating interval of such extent and clear definition as rarely occurs. The early portion of the crop will average a date much in advance of the ordinary, and as was noted in the November report, was becoming too rank to withstand freezing temperature. The arrival of winter conditions has, however, set at rest any apprehension on that score. This part of the crop suffered somewhat from insects early in the season, but has escaped serious injury and is in excellent condition to withstand the severe winter which appears imminent. The late wheat, which was mainly sown after November 1st, comprises the largest half of the acreage. It has been subjected to some severe weather tests of late, and since much of it is either below ground or is just beginning to make its appearance, that it would escape injury would be assuming too large a measure of good fortune.

The condition of the crop averages 94 for the State, which is to point below the November average. On December 1st, 1897, the condition was 85, and for same date of 1896 it was 101. By sections the following percentages of condition are shown: Western, 82, which is a decline of five points during the month; central, 102, which is an increase of seven points, and southeastern, 100, which is the same as the condition reported November 1st. The falling off in condition in the western section and the increase in the central is due to the fact that in the western section far the largest portion of the acreage is late, while the reverse is true of the central section.

The preliminary estimate of the acreage on November 1st, was 107, as compared with acreage of 1897. The acreage has increased until now (December 1st) it is estimated at 111, similarly compared. It should be borne in mind, however, that the increase is only in the southeastern district, where an increased percentage would have but a slight effect on total acres.

In Pike county the correspondents estimate the increase at 250 per cent. In Magoffin county the increase is 105 per cent., while a number of counties in this section report acreage increased 50 per cent. The average for the southeastern section places the acreage at 128 as compared with acreage of 1897. This is an increase of 11 per cent. since November 1st. In the central section the acreage, as compared with the acreage of 1897, is 102, which is a decline of one per cent. from the preliminary estimate of November 1st. In the western section the acreage by a similar comparison is 104, also a falling off of one per cent. The estimate of number of acres seeded will not be made until the return by the assessors of acres harvested in 1898, which will give the basis.

Many correspondents report under date as late as November 30th that farmers are not yet through sowing, but it is safe to assume that little or no wheat will be sown after that date.

##### CORN.

Corn husking has progressed rather slowly and a considerable portion of the crop yet remains in the field. While the general tenor of reports is to modify first estimates of damaged or rotten corn, still the estimates show the damage is not inconsiderable. The average estimate of loss is 14 per cent. In the western section the loss is estimated at 12 per cent. In the central at 14, and in the southeastern at 17. A few counties report the crop disappointing as to yield, and the general opinion is that the quality is below average.

The average price of corn for the State December 1st is estimated at 28 cents. The average for the western section is 24 cents; 24 cents for the central, and 33 cents for the southeastern.

In view of the sappy condition of corn a little precaution in regard to seed corn for next year may prove of benefit. A careful selection should be made at once of a sufficient amount of ears which should be placed where they will become thoroughly dried out. Hard freezing while the sap remains will destroy the germ and render it worthless for seed purposes, but after it has become dried it will withstand any temperature which may occur in this latitude without injury.

##### LIVE STOCK.

All classes of live stock show an improvement over condition

December 1st, 1897. The following comparisons show per cent. of improvement, each being condition compared with average years: Horses, December 1st, 1897, 92; December 1st, 1898, 98. Cattle, December 1st, 1897, 92; December 1st, 1898, 101. Sheep, December 1st, 1897, 94; December 1st, 1898, 98. Hogs, December 1st, 1897, 92; December 1st, 1898, 98.

##### CONCLUSION.

This issue concludes the monthly crop report until opening of spring. I desire to again thank correspondents for their faithful services during the past year and to express the hope that with the beginning of the work next year I may again have their assistance.

LUCAS MOORE,

Com. of Agriculture.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Frank True, of Stanford, Ky., was smothered to death by its mother rolling upon it while asleep.

Postoffice rules have been posted in a neighboring town as follows: "No letters will be delivered until they have been received. If you don't get a letter or paper on the day you expect it, have the postmaster look through all the boxes. It ought to be there somewhere, and he likes to hunt for it to please you. If your friends don't write, cuss the postmaster. He is to blame. If he tells you there is no mail for you, put on a grieved expression and say, 'There must be some.' He is probably hiding your mail for the pleasure of having you call for it two or three times a day. Ask him to look again.—Ex.

Aunt Matilda Noland, of Albany, Ky., was 100 years old Nov. 30. She is in good health and expects to live until the world comes to an end by fire. This is the burden of her talk.

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The Court of Appeals decided that a Sheriff is entitled to 10 per cent. on the first \$5,000 of all the county taxes collected and not 10 per cent. of the first \$5,000 in each separate fund collected for the county.

There were nearly eleven thousand murders in our country last year, while in England and Wales there were during the same length of time year before last only one hundred and sixty-three.

We wonder what all of this is coming to, and what our colleges and educational institutions and our Christians churches even are doing to hasten the coming of "peace on earth" and "good will to men."—Ex.

## Results of the Spanish War.

The New York Journal thus summarizes the results of the war with Spain:

"Spain had the satisfaction of blowing up the Maine and killing 266 American sailors.

"It has cost her:

"Twenty-one warships.

Two armies defeated and captured.

"Cuba, 41,655 square miles and 1,600,000 inhabitants.

"Porto Rico, 3,550 square miles and 800,000 inhabitants.

"The Philippines, 114,326 square miles and 8,000,000 inhabitants.

"The Sulu islands, 950 square miles and 75,000 inhabitants.

"Stray islands in other groups.

"A year ago Spain governed over 10,000,000 people outside of her own limits; now she governs less than 200,000.

"Other powers with colonial empires which they would like to keep, please take notice."

## CORRESPONDENCE

### Log Lick.

Mrs. Ann Elkin and Miss Sally Elkin visited C. R. King Tuesday.

Mrs. Evaline Devary, who has been very sick for some time, is much better at this writing.

Mr. Thos. Thomas, of Mt. Sterling is here buying cattle shotes. He offers \$3.00.

J. W. Dawson & Bro., of Spoutspring, bought most all the turkeys in this neighborhood at 7c.

The Christian church at this place has called a new pastor, we forget the Elder's name. He resides at Lexington.

C. R. King, who has been quite sick for some time has sufficiently recovered as to be able to visit his cousin, J. T. Elkin Monday.

Z. F. Elkin, of Lexington, has been visiting his brother, Dr. S. C. Elkin, who has been very low with hemorage. We are proud to say that the Dr. is much better.

A large attendance at the Christian church here Sunday. Eld. E. W. Marcum, the expiring pastor delivered his farewell sermon. Eld Marcum has served the church faithfully for the past three years.

Mr. Johnny Woods, son of Bud Woods, Esq., and Miss Livia Rice were married at the residence of the bride's father, Merritt Rice, Wednesday, the 14th. Mr Oscar Eads and Miss Hattie Shimpfessell were best man and lady. After the ceremony the happy pair went on a visit to Miss Lizzie Cooper, near Winchester, and returned to the groom's father Thursday.

## IRVINE.

Miss Laura Dixon is quite ill at this writing.

Miss Ida Park has been very sick for the past week.

Born, to the wife of H. J. Wilson the 12th a bouncing boy.

Mr. H. W. Jacobs leaves today for Winchester where he will locate.

A protracted meeting will begin at the M. E. Church South at this place Thursday night.

Mrs. O. H. Boltz and sister, Miss Mamie Ashcraft, spent one day in Richmond this week.

Miss Julia Cockrill spent Saturday and Sunday last with her sister, Mrs. Charles Winn, at Wi-ewantown.

Frederick Ashcraft, of the Fourth Kentucky, returned home last Saturday with an honorable discharge.

Stephen Daniel, the sheriff of our county, left yesterday for Frankfort penitentiary with the Roach Bros. convicted at the recent term of Circuit Court for forging a check on Jonah Wages, of this county.

### Iron Mound.

It still snows, blows and remains cold in this neck o' the woods.

Ben Jordan payed a visit to his family who are visiting his father-in-law, near Why Not, Lee county last week.

Tarres Bros., of Clark county, drove from the forks neighborhood to Winchester the latter part of last week 150 turkeys, for which they paid 8 1/2 cents.

J. W. Elkin, of Madison county, bought of M. D. Stephens, J. F. Jordan and J. H. Thomas 87 turkeys for which he payed 7 cents.

Ye correspondent has often head of the garden spot of the world, but never had the pleasure of seeing the place until he became a resident of the Forks, at least it ought to be for the old folks are the most generous and kind hearted people on earth. They stay at home and do the coers while the boys and girls help their neighbors husk corn dance and drink mountain dew. I. M. D.

## ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Hood Hamilton, of Wade's Mill, was in town Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McKinney, of Levee, came out yesterday to visit relatives.

J. W. Henry, the photographer, will endeavor to complete his gallery by Christmas and be ready to take pictures.

## MARRIED.

Richard B. Tuttle and Miss Eva Gould, both of the Sand Hill neighborhood, were married at the residence of the bride's grandfather, Hart Witt, Wednesday, Dec. 14th. Mr Tuttle is a brother of John W. and Henry Tuttle, of this place.

Otho Graves, the tobacco buyer, was recently asked who he was buying for now. His position was illustrated he said by the little darkie who was going down the Mississippi river before the war. In answer to the question as to who was his owner the little fellow said: "When I come on de boat I belonged to Mr. Brown, den a man wid three queens tooked me; after dat I belonged to a gemman who helded four aces; I don't zaetly know whose I iz now nor whose I'll be after next deal.

No man doth safely rule but he that hath learned gladly to obey.

## Local Markets.

Spoutspring, Ky., Dec. 17.

The following are prices paid by produce dealers of this place:

Apples	3
Beans	1@3
Beef hides	4
Beeswax	18
Corn	40
Ducks	5
Gecese	30 c each
Eggs	17
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Hens	4 1/2

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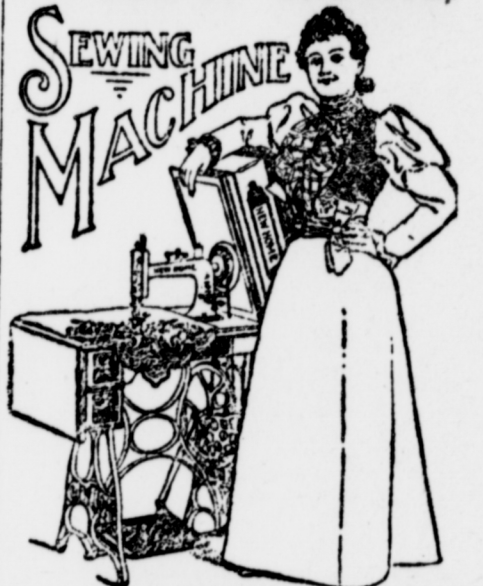
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Com'w'lth's Att'y A. Byrd  
Clerk - James A. Wallace  
Deputy Clerk J. F. Harris  
Commissioner - John D. Winn

Circuit Court is held on the fourth Monday in March, June and November.

### COUNTY COURT.

Judge - J. W. Muncie  
Clerk - J. F. Harris  
County Attorney - L. A. West  
Deputy Clerk James A. Wallace  
Sheriff - Steven Daniels  
Jailer - J. S. Lynch  
Assessor - Alex Hamilton  
Coroner - W. S. Winkler  
Superint'd't of schools W. S. Witt  
Surveyor - Eugene Witt

County court is held on the third Monday of each month.

Quarterly terms of the county court are held the second Mondays in February, May, August and November.

County court of claims meet in April and October.

### LOCAL MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Justice - John Henderson  
Constable - John Merrill

Court is held on the 16th of March, June, September and December.

### Church Directory. BAPTIST.

Services on first Saturday morning, and Sunday following; Rev. A. G. Coker, pastor Powell's Valley Fourth Saturday and Sunday; Rev. J. T. Hornsby, pastor.

### M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

Services on the third Saturday night and Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; Rev. S. M. Carrier, pastor.

### M. E. CHURCH.

Services at Kimbrell's Chapel on the first Sunday; Rev. W. H. Thompson, pastor.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Services at Hardwick's creek on the third Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; Rev. B. Frank Wright, pastor pro tem. Log Lick—Services on second Sunday; Rev. E. W. Marcum, pastor.

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Andy McCready, a substantial farmer, of Litchfield, committed suicide by hanging.

In the Richmond Circuit Court John Trumble, colored, was sent to the penitentiary for life for the killing of James Hill two years ago.

We look into a cradle and behold a crying male babe. At the age of ten he is a noisy kid with half the buttons off his pants and an eye for meanness; at fifteen he is the devil in the print shop, at twenty he is the publisher of a country newspaper at the head of every enterprise calculated to improve the town or enrich the business men thereof, at thirty-five he's an emancipated work-out man with a bald head and holes in his pockets, and at fifty he's a corpse in a cheap coffin and his only resources left behind two cases of long primer, a Washington hand press and a subscription book with 678 delinquent subscribers, who line up and march past his coffin saying, "He was a public-spirited fellow, but he could never save anything."—Exchange.

### An Interesting Point of Law.

The Court of Appeals, in deciding a case recently has the following which will be of interest to our farmers: "A fence built as the dividing line by parties owning adjoining tracts of land, and so maintained by them for forty years or more, must be regarded in law as establishing such line, notwithstanding it may not agree with the calls of the deeds of the owners."—Winchester Democrat.

A correspondent of the Owingsville Outlook says: "Some people object to the hunters that come from the cities with two seated carriages, \$50 dogs and \$80 guns, but they are quite a help to the rural district just the same. They generally waste all their ammunition and then buy their game of some little farmer lad with a fifty-cent dog and an old Zulu gun and by so doing bring money in the country."

At Conway, Rockcastle county, last Monday night was born to the wife of J. A. Franklin a son without legs or arms. The child is healthy and strong and bids fair to live.

In Shelby county toll-gate raiders exploded two bombs in front of the door of the toll-house occupied by Mrs. Lucy Demare and warned her to collect no more toll.

A new idea in dental business is a dentist who is traveling through Southern Kentucky in a palace car, opening his office on the car in each town he visits.

In a pistol duel at Pineville, John Taylor shot and killed William Lee and accidentally killed a white servant girl, working at Lee's house.

According to the report of the Commissioner of Immigration 229,299 foreigners found homes in the United States the past year.

A man claiming to have walked 1,300 miles in search of his erring wife, begged a glass of milk from the editor of the Sandy Herald.

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